GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES
LOK SABHA

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REGISTERED UNREGISTERED SSI UNITS
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Will the Minister of SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a): whether 2.26 million small scale units are registered in the country whereas the number of unregistered such units is 9.15 million;

(b): if not, the facts thereof:

(c): whether most of the unregistered small scale units are not willing to get benefits from the Government by getting themselves registered;

(d): if so, the reasons therefor; and

(e): the names of States in the country where the number of registered and unregistered small scale units is highest alongwith the names of the States where their number is the least?

Answer

MINISTER OF SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES & AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES (SHRI MAHABIR PRASAD)

(a)&(b): Yes, Sir. As per the Third All India Census of Small Scale Industries (SSI), with the reference year of 2001-02, there were 22,62,401 SSI units registered upto 31.03.2001. During the census, a sample survey of unregistered SSI units with the same reference year was also undertaken. The estimates based on the sample survey revealed that 91,46,216 unregistered SSI units were functioning in the country.

(c)&(d): The survey indicated that out of 91,46,216 unregistered SSI units, 92.99 per cent units were either not aware of the provisions of the registration or not interested in getting registered. The reasons for non-registration among the unregistered SSI units in the country, as revealed by the said survey, are given below:

Sl.No.	Reasons for non-registration	Percentage
1	Not aware of the provisions for registration	53.13
2	Not interested	39.86
3	Complicated procedure	3.87
4	Local Laws/regulations do not permit	1.76
5	Clearance not available from Municipality, etc.	1.38

As per the Third All India Census of SSI, the States with the highest number of registered and unregistered SSI units were Tamil Nadu and Uttar Pradesh respectively, whereas, the Union Territory of Lakshadweep and the State of Sikkim had the lowest number of registered and unregistered SSI units respectively.